

# To Hope and Act with Creation



**The Land**

# Waterford Mennonite Church

June 23, 2024

Prelude		Deanna Beth Chupp
Gathering songs		Jeff Miller
	<i>God Is Here Among Us</i>	VT 62
	<i>We Long to Know Her</i>	VT 44
	<i>Praise Be to God</i>	VT 115
Welcome & Call to worship		Derrick Ramer
Lighting the peace lamp*		
Offering	(Gifts are for Operating Fund unless designated otherwise)	
Song	<i>God, Whose Giving</i>	VT 745
Congregational prayer		Katie Misz
Scripture	Genesis 3:7-11, 4:8-11	
Sermon	“The Broken Heart of the Earth”	Deron Bergstresser
Communion		Linda Short
Benediction		
Sending song	<i>Sent Forth by God’s Blessing</i>	VT 812

VT = Voices Together; SJ = *Sing the Journey*; SS = *Sing the Story*

\*We light the peace lamp every Sunday to lament all unnecessary and violent loss of life around the world

## **Prayers**

*For Kathy Miller and her family* as they celebrate the life of husband and father, Richard Miller, who died on Thursday.

*David and Julia Leatherman*, who will celebrate their 69<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 26.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for volunteer *Martine Audéoud* and her family as they move from France to Côte d'Ivoire, where the family previously lived and where her son, 16-year-old, Samuel, feels at home. Samuel experienced bullying in his school in France.

*John and Charlotte Graber*, who will celebrate their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 27.

Pray that *Hopewell Mennonite Church* will be attentive to the Spirit as they think of ways to bless their community; and for Pastor Joel Short during a sabbatical this summer.

Pray for our kids, youth and adults participating in *Vacation Bible School* this week, that they will learn and grow together.

## **Welcome Guests**

We are glad to have you join us in worship today. Children of all ages are welcome in worship. There are sermon boards for children outside the sanctuary doors; please pick one up as you enter. If desired, there is a nursery available in the west end of the foyer for infants and toddlers. Large print copies of the hymnal and hearing aid systems are available from the ushers. We invite you to stay for our nurture hour. Look for the welcome brochure on the front table in the foyer.

## Our Mission Statement

As the people of Waterford Mennonite Church, we

*Welcome everyone to faith and fellowship in Jesus Christ,*

*Minister to the needs of one another and our neighbors through the Holy Spirit, and*

*Call out each other's gifts for the joyful work of God's reconciling mission.*

## TODAY'S ELECTIVES

Cardmaking	MYF Rm
Jigsaw puzzles	Rm 34/35 in nurture wing
Coping with Grief	Rm 15 (near kitchen door)
Creative Expressions of Faith	Rm 28/30 in nurture wing
Crecimiento Dinámico de la Iglesia	Rm 37 in nurture wing
Drumming as Prayer	Pavilion
Fun in the Sun	Scavenger hunt on front lawn
Knotting Comforters	Rm 29/31/33 in nurture wing
Salt & Light Bible Study	Rm 22 (Sojourners)
Singing from Voices Together	Sanctuary
Beginners' Yoga	North Fellowship Hall

We celebrate that everyone is created in God's image, and as followers of Jesus we welcome people of every age, ability, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, marital status, socio-economic situation, gender identity, and citizenship status as full participants in the life of our congregation.

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